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If you want some nice, select Cotton Seed or Peanuts for planting, come in at once and let us have your order. We expect to have other Field Seed within a short time.

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Fightin' Scribe

By EVANS GREY
McClure Newspaper Syndicate.
WNU Features.

THE city editor tossed me a piece of telegraph copy. "Write me a follow on this," he said. It was a story from an advance base in the Solomons. "Burke Hennessey killed six Japs with a tommy-gun," it began.

The clatter of the city room faded and instead of the murky walls, I saw the scene in which I first met Hells Bella Hennessey a dozen years before.

It was a cold night. The wind drifted down from the hills and through the valley. A little random shuck was in flames, and there was a sharp odor of burning pine. The pluff belongings of a stricken family had been carried into the bare sandy yard, and the old folks and children were standing around shivering in their night clothes. Hennessey began talking to one of the youngsters, a boy about seven years old, trying to hold six squirming puppies in his arms. "You like those pups pretty good?" Hennessey inquired grinning.

There was a light in Benny's eyes that wasn't a reflection from the fire. "Yes, sir," he said.

George Wilson, the relief worker, came along and gave Hennessey a shove. "Leave them alone, can't you?" he grumbled.

Hennessey placed a neat left hook expertly on Wilson's chin. Wilson went down. He stayed there, rubbing his jaw for a minute, then started yelling for the cops. The reporter yanked him to his feet and



"Don't ever get in my way when I'm after a story."

slapped him across the face. "Go on and attend to your business," he said quietly. "But remember—don't ever get in my way when I'm after a story."

The next day Hennessey was booked for fighting, but his editor bailed him out and the paper carried his account at the top of Page One. It told a lot about those people whose home had burned. How they waited for existence and how, some way, they found things that made life good—things like love for a husband, a good job, a place to live.

But Hennessey got fired. The editor told me about it. "Happened on account of the publisher's wife," he said. "She's a big name in this welfare society that hires George Wilson. The old dame put her foot down. So her old man sent in a memo, and there you are."

Hennessey moved around a good bit, then. He was always being kicked out, but when I went to Bluffview he was there, working on the morning shift.

A couple of years after that Hennessey came into the office of the newspaper I was on at New Bradfield. He had about him the look by which you can always identify a tramp.

He started bragging about how well he was doing. But just at the moment he was broke, and was there anything he could do to earn a few dollars. I told him I didn't know of anything.

"Well, how about letting me have something to eat and a place to sleep?" he asked.

I let him have the money, for old time's sake. About that time the old man came in and Hennessey hit him up for a job.

"I'd like to give you a break, Hennessey," the boss said, "but frankly I'd be scared to. First thing I'd know you'd jump on me, and I don't care about fighting except when a couple of other guys are doing it."

After that he'd drop in once in a while, mooch a dollar or two and move on. Once in a while he'd get work, but he never lasted long. Most guys spoke of him in the past tense, whenever there was any occasion to mention his name. "He could have been a good newspaper man," they'd say.

He dropped out of sight and no body heard of him for a long time. Then—this year from the Solomons—I read the rest of it. "Hennessey, a Marine Corps combat correspondent, was assigned to accompany a patrol group and report its activities," the wire said. "He became separated from his men and then he attempted to regain them, found his way barred by six of the enemy. He shot them down, completed his assignment and wrote this story, which is presented here."

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ANIMAL KINGDOM



Footsie, a six-year-old terrier owned by Rose Smith of Chicago, befriended Petunia, a stray cat, a year ago.

So when Petunia was too weak to nurse her kittens after bearing them recently, Footsie nursed them for her, allowing the feline to share in the feeding when she bore puppies herself.

Animal authorities say that it is unusual for a cat to permit a dog to nurse her kittens while she is around.

In Dedham, Mass., a 64-year-old attorney, Woodbury Rand, left \$100,000 for the care of his pet tomcat, Butters, constant companion of the millionaire lawyer during his last illness.

Not only did Rand leave \$60,000 to the cat and \$40,000 to a housekeeper for its care, but he also provided that the radio, sweaters, blankets, three electric fans and favorite chair should be used if they would contribute to Butters' comfort.

Because of their "contemptuous attitude and cruel" behavior, the Rand cancelled \$20,000 in bequests to nine cousins.

BIG BROTHERS:

Business Epic

More than 40 years ago, two of the Fisher boys from Norfolk, Ohio, came up to Detroit, Mich., to take a job with the Wilson Body Company. Several years later, they started up a business of their own, bringing their four younger brothers in with them.

Building their business on the belief that people preferred closed auto bodies, the six Fisher brothers developed the famous body company bearing their name, over which General Motors corporation took control in 1918. Sticking with the company, they helped make "Body by Fisher" a byword in the auto trade, until last week when the last four brothers remaining were fired.

Wealthy in their own right with \$10 million in assets, the Fisher family is interested, the Fishers may again reenter the manufacturing field independently, it was rumored.

DAMASCUS 4-H CLUB

The Damascus 4-H Club held its regular meeting on February 4. The meeting was called to order by the president. A song was led by the song leader and the roll was checked. The minutes were read by the secretary.

An interesting demonstration was given by Nellie Mae Hollaway and Louise Danford on "Feeding the Sick." The vice-president then had charge of the entertainment. The meeting was adjourned until next month.

MONEY CAN BE MADE ON SERICCA PATCHES

Auburn, Ala.—With the demand for leopards, tigers and other big cats, Alabama farmers are turning to seed patches to increase their own acreage and furnish some seed for sale. There are now more than 88,000 acres of sericca in the state, says J. C. Lowery, API extension agronomist. "Farmers producing seed this year should have no trouble in finding a sale for seed next fall."

"Best times to plant seed are February 15 to April 1 in South Alabama and March 15 to May 1 in North Alabama."

Cpl. Jack Prescott returned to his Army duties last week after a thirty-day furlough spent with his mother, Mrs. G. M. Prescott, in Elba.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Lillian Margaret King, complainant, vs. James Monroe King, Respondent.

In Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, in Equity, Elba Division.

To James Monroe King: Notice is hereby given that the complainant has filed a bill against you and you are required to answer or plead to same on or before March 11, 1946, at failing therein, decree pro confesso may be taken against you within thirty days thereafter.

This 29th day of January, 1946.

Gladys Clark, Register.

381-121.

HOME COMING DINNER HONORS HUBERT WAMBLES

A dinner was given in honor of Hubert Wambles, 81-1-1, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Wambles, on Sunday, Feb. 10, near Jack.

Hubert reached home January 28. He was discharged from the Navy. While in service he served on the Haynesworth, destroyer, for 14 months. He saw action at Lunon, Iwa Jima and Okinawa and received a large number of ribbons and stars, among them being four battle stars.

His relatives and many friends are glad to have him back home, and we know thousands of others are glad to see their loved ones return and we hope those who are still overseas will soon return.

Hubert has planned to go back to farming, as that is what he did before the war.

There was a large crowd and everyone enjoyed the dinner. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis and son, Donald; of Samsom; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wambles and children, of Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Wambles and children, of Elba; Mr. and Mrs. James Wambles and little daughter, Patsy, of Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. Willie B. Johnson and son, of Elba; Messrs. Weldon Jackson, James Smith, James Jackson, Sam Kelley, Cecil Smith and Misses Mary and Jean Wambles. All had a nice time and in the afternoon pictures were taken.—Contributed.

The Curtis 4-H Club met Tuesday, January 29, with 39 members present. Billy Olmstead, president, called the meeting to order. The secretary called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting. Mary Jean Taylor, Fannie Le Anderson, Billy Olmstead and Donald Taylor gave a demonstration on table manners.

Mr. C. E. Peacock and Miss Mary Pittman gave 25 certificates to those members who completed a 1945 project.

Louise Daniels, program chairman, had a good program. Last night of all Mr. Daniels gave a negro sermon. The meeting was then adjourned.—Reporter.

In Alabama there are 35 freezer-locker plants in operation and 10 under construction or in the planning stage.

Considerable difficulty has been experienced in building and equipping the new theatre. Much of the decorative material on the outside as well as the inside will be added just as soon as it is available. However, this will not interfere with the formal opening. Remember the time for the opening—Thursday evening, seven o'clock.

William E. Twilley, in the U. S. Navy for the past three years, has been discharged and is now at home with his family. He was in the chemical warfare division and saw service in both theaters as well as nearly every state in the nation. Friends are glad to welcome him home.

Sgt. Earl Devane has returned home after being in military service for 3½ years in the Army Air Forces, one year overseas. He has his honorable discharge. He spent one week at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Devane of Texas, for two months, where his wife resides.

Relatives here have received word that Mr. Price Ringo is recovering nicely from a second lung operation at a New Orleans hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Ringo hope to return home within a week or ten days.

Sgt. and Mrs. W. R. Birkmiller left Thursday for Camp Atterbury, Ind., where he will receive his discharge, after which they will go to Columbus, Ohio, to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Fortner and daughter, Miss Catherine, were visitors to Montgomery Sunday, where Mr. Fortner attended a meeting of Spanish War Veterans.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harrison transacted business in Enterprise Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Maddox visited relatives at Bascom, Fla., Sunday.

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The USDA will resume publication of its Yearbook in 1947 after discontinuance during the war years. Tentative title of the 1947 edition which will feature scientific progress made during the war will be "Science and the Farmer."

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VOLUME 40

New Elba Theatre Opens Thursday Night At Seven; Large Crowds Expected

BEAUTIFUL NEW MOVIE
HOUSE ONE OF THE
FINEST IN STATE

The formal opening of Elba's handsome new movie house will take place Thursday evening, Feb. 21, at seven o'clock, when the patrons of the city and this section of the county are invited to come and see the "Theatre Beautiful."

James Robert (Jimmy) Childs was accepted for enlistment in the Navy on February 12, and has already been assigned for training at Norfolk, Va. After completing high school in Elba, Jimmy enrolled at the University of Alabama and has been there several months. According to the recruiting station at Dothan, he made one of the highest marks on his I. Q. test ever made by an enlistee in this area.

All a veteran has to do to find a job as a helper or apprentice in a shop, market, or any recognized trade or industry. The chosen place of employment is then approved as a training station for a veteran by a Veterans' Administration representative. Then the veteran or trainee applies for Government financed training. Under this he is entitled to not only subsistence money but also a sum with which to purchase tools, books and materials his chosen trade may require.

After he is enrolled in training, the Vet must spend five hours per week in supervised study of the trade he has chosen. This should be one hour per day for five days per week. The Vet is also subject to examinations to determine the amount of progress he is making and he must show an interest in his work.

Veterans in the Elba territory can learn more about this program by contacting the local Veterans' Co-ordinator, located in the jury room of the court house. The hours are 8 a. m. to 3 p. m. on week days and from 8 to 12 noon on Saturdays.

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IN MEMORY OF HUEY

ROBERT BOLAND

He was a little bundle of sunshine that brightened our home. We had no idea when he came that so soon he must be gone.

We opened our family circle and gladly welcomed him in. We loved him so dearly and for him we had great plans.

But God took our little brother; now we feel sad and we mourn. We wonder why he could not stay with us and grow up in our home.

Mother's arms are empty, Dad's

eyes look sad and are filled with tears. Yet we must not question God's power and knowledge; have no fears.

Have faith instead, For God knows best. Let's console our hearts and realize, our little Robert is at rest.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Boland and Children.

Check Pneumonia. Pneumonia, once a frequently fatal disease, causing about 96,500 deaths in the United States annually, is gradually retreating before the advance of modern medicine.

CONGRATULATIONS !!

Mr. Walter J. Brackin

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MOST RESPECTFULLY ADDRESSES THE PEOPLE OF
ELBA AND WEST COFFEE COUNTY:

First, I would say thanks for the splendid support given the Theatre in Elba for the past ten years. I have profited by your attendance during the years of abundance as well as operated as best I could during the lean years. For approximately half of my business in Elba (the first five years) the business was under ownership shared by Mr. Fred T. McLeod. At present my business associates comprise my family, and I would have you know we all thank you. In returning to you all the profits the Brackin interests have derived from the Elba operation we have done so with interest, it being our desire to serve as best for the community, with profit.

secondary consideration. Two, yes three and near four times the profit earned has been returned to you in a beautiful Theatre. Returned to you, yes, for surely you must know that it will take many, many and more years than many of Elba will survive to ever cover with profit the investment here. With unbounded enthusiasm I dedicate the operation of this theatre to the cultural advancement of the territory. Thanks to you who have said you are proud of the New Theatre. In closing allow me to say I am proud of my fine spirited patrons. They are the Pure Gold without any dross. Sincerely,
WALTER J. BRACKIN.

Political Announcements

FOR CONGRESS
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative in the Congress of the United States from the Third Congressional District, subject to the Democratic primaries of 1946. Your vote and influence will be deeply appreciated.

GEORGE ANDREWS,
(Paid pol. adv. by George Andrews, Union Springs, Ala.)

FOR PROBATE JUDGE
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Probate Judge of Coffee County, subject to the Democratic primaries of 1946. Your vote and influence will be highly appreciated.

J. W. BROCK,
(Paid pol. adv. by J. W. Brock, New Brockton, Ala.)

FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE
I hereby announce that I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Judge of the 12th Judicial Circuit, composed of Coffee and Pike Counties, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries of 1946. Your vote and influence will be appreciated.

CHARLES C. BRANNEN,
(Paid political advertisement authorized by Charles C. Brannen, Troy, Alabama.)

FOR SOLICITOR
I hereby announce that I am a candidate for Solicitor of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Alabama, composed of Coffee and Pike Counties, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries to be held on May 7 and June 4, 1946.

Your vote and influence is hereby solicited and will be highly appreciated.

ALEX HUEY,
(Paid political advertisement by J. Alex Huey, Enterprise, Ala.)

FOR CIRCUIT SOLICITOR
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Solicitor of the 12th Judicial Circuit, composed of Coffee and Pike Counties, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries of 1946. Your vote and influence is solicited and will be highly appreciated.

ERIS F. PAUL,
(Pd. pol. adv. by Eris F. Paul, Elba, Alabama.)

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination in the primary elections of 1946, for the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Coffee County, subject to the action of the Democratic party. I shall be most grateful to you for your vote and influence.

GLADYS CLARK,
(Paid pol. adv. by Gladys Clark, Elba, Ala.)

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Coffee County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary elections of 1946. Your vote and influence is solicited and will be highly appreciated.

H. D. TILLMAN,
(Pd. pol. adv. by H. D. Tillman, Elba, Ala.)

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Coffee County, subject to the Democratic primary elections of 1946. Your vote and influence are solicited and will be greatly appreciated.

RALPH M. SPARKS,
(Pd. pol. adv. by Ralph M. Sparks, Enterprise, Ala.)

FOR SHERIFF

I wish to announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Coffee County, subject to the Democratic primary elections of 1946. Your vote and influence are solicited and will be deeply appreciated.

R. H. HARRING,
(Pd. pol. adv. by R. H. Harring, New Brockton, Ala.)

FOR SHERIFF

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HOWARD O. DYESS,
(Pd. pol. adv. by Howard O. Dyess, Enterprise, Ala.; Rt. 1.)

FOR SCHOOL BOARD

I wish to announce myself a candidate for member of the Coffee County Board of Education, subject to the Democratic primaries of 1946. I solicit and will greatly appreciate your vote and influence.

E. CARL BROOKS,
(Pd. pol. adv. by E. C. Brooks, Enterprise, Rt. 1.)

TO THE PEOPLE OF ELBA:

We take this method of expressing our sincere appreciation for your words of consolation and many deeds of kindness shown us in the recent passing of our mother, Mrs. Georgia Bryant. No one could have stood by you any better or closer than you did with us. For this we shall always be grateful.

CWO and Mrs. H. P. Crook, San Diego, California, Comd. and Mrs. W. S. Rogers, Modern, California, Chester Bryant, Knoxville, Tennessee, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Dixon.

Short Mortgages, Real Estate Mortgages and Rent Notes at Clipper Office.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express here our thanks and sincere appreciation to our many friends for their loving sympathy and numerous acts of kindness shown us during the illness of my wife, and throughout the death of our infant son. We are indeed grateful to all of you. Your kindness shall be remembered.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Boland and Children.

Go to Church Sunday.

Cooking Game

The secret of cooking any wild meat is to conserve moisture. Wild meat is naturally drier and tougher than domestic meat. The general rule is to cook game for a longer time at a lower temperature than other meats. While homemakers do not cook domestic meat in covered pans, this method is often better for wild meat. The covered roaster is best for long, slow, moist cooking.

Pumpkin Tarts
Individual pumpkin tarts make gala desserts for special occasions. Serve plain or top each tart with a scoop of smooth ice cream.

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Elba is proud of your Fine New Theatre
and wishes you continued success.

City of Elba

L. P. MULLINS, Mayor

W. W. HAM, Clerk

COUNCILMEN: L. B. Foley, F. D. Veal, J. J. Lindsey, C. P. Hayes, S. E. Sawyer.

Penicillin Aids Children
Three pediatricians reported the effectiveness of oral penicillin administered to 10 children with gonorrhea, 2 with pneumonia and 2 with cellulitis, an inflammation of the soft tissues underlying the skin. There was prompt recovery in all cases.

Soft Bleach
Sodium perborate is one of the safest bleaches for all types of fabric, including wool and silk. Sprinkle the spot with four tablespoons of perborate mixed with a pint of soapy water. Or, soak in the solution about half an hour. Rinse well.

Warner's New Sensation, 'Mildred Pierce,' Chosen For Theatre's Opening

Warner Bros. "Mildred Pierce" is an event. Alternately tender and hard, tightly objective and fearfully personal, it is a credit to Warner Bros., to its brilliant producer, Jerry ("Pride of the Marines") Wald, to its deservedly famous director, Michael Curtiz, and to the men and women of its superlative cast who bring excitingly to life the characters of James Cain's relentless odyssey of a grass widow. And—best of all—it represents the high-water mark in the career of one of screenland's most important characters, in the title role, Joan Crawford. As the parasitic Monty Beragon, Zachary Scott continues his upward climb to the top of the Hollywood ladder. Supporting these players are Eve Arden, comic and likeable as Ida, Mildred's business aide; Ann Blyth, an important new actress who makes Veda Pierce, Mildred's avaricious daughter, a fascinating young ingrate; and Bruce Bennett, who understands what Bert Pierce, Mildred's vacillating husband, should be. Michael Curtiz' direction is sure, precise, and atmospheric. Ronald MacDougall's vigorous screen play does full justice to James Cain's original story. And Max Steiner's score heightens the mood of "Mildred Pierce."

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CHILDREN RULE LIFE
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"Mildred Pierce" is preferred entertainment.

Go to Church Sunday.

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Premier Stalin has a palatial home a few miles from the Kremlin, built beside the river by a wealthy owner, and surrounded by a brick wall. In his spacious office in the Kremlin hang portraits of Marx and Lenin, as well as of himself. Here he may have lunch; dinner is more formal, served in his small Kremlin apartment.

NOTICE OF SALE

In Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division. Estate of G. W. Morrow, deceased. In Matter of Sale of Land, by Executor, W. Harris Morrow.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Circuit Court, of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division, rendered on the 28th day of January, 1946, providing for the sale of certain described land and property of said estate for the purpose of an equitable division among the joint owners, and empowering W. Harris Morrow, as Executor of the estate of G. W. Morrow, deceased, and directing him to proceed without delay to sell the real estate hereinafter described at public or private sale, as he deems best for the devisees and joint owners, and as provided also by the terms of the last will and testament of said G. W. Morrow, deceased, and to sell said property as a whole or in parcels, and for cash or part cash:

Now, I, the undersigned, Executor of G. W. Morrow, deceased, will sell to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the Court House, in Coffee County, Alabama, at Elba, and within the legal hours of sale on Monday, March 11, 1946, the following described real estate of said estate of G. W. Morrow, deceased, to-wit:

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Executor of Estate of G. W. Morrow, deceased.

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"LONESOME TRAIL"
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Added Attraction: "3 Stooges Comedy"

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—Starting—
Robert Lowery, Nina Ford
Admission 10c & 35c

SUNDAY AND MONDAY
"PILLAR TO POST"
—Starting—
Ida Lupino, William Price, Sidney Greenstreet
Admission 10c & 35c

Tuesday and Wednesday
"THE CORN IS GREEN"
—Starting—
Betty Davis, John Dall
Admission 10c & 35c

Thursday and Friday
Ann Miller in
"EVE KNEW HER APPLES"
Admission 10c & 35c

FOR PROBATE JUDGE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Probate Judge of Coffee County, subject to the Democratic Primaries to be held in 1946. I solicit and will greatly appreciate your vote and influence.

J. OSCAR ENGLISH.
(Pol. adv. by J. O. English, son, Elba, Ala.)

FOR SCHOOL BOARD

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Member of the Coffee County Board of Education, subject to the Democratic Primaries of 1946. Your vote and influence will be greatly appreciated.

W. M. BRUNSON.
(Pol. adv. by W. M. Brunson, son, Elba, Ala.)

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our thanks to those who were so kind and helpful during our recent bereavement. We are very grateful to each of you.

Mrs. H. J. Clark and Family,
Mrs. J. R. Patrick.

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SOIL CONSERVATION NOTES

By G. L. Edwards,
Soil Conservationist

Oats sown early last fall and fertilized with basic slag and nitrate of soda have had a carrying capacity of one cow per acre on the Brooks and Paschal Dairy Farm. Not only have the oats provided excellent winter grazing, but they have helped protect the land from the heavy rains.

In order to produce as much feed as possible from the oats, the cows will be removed by the first of March, a nitrogen fertilizer will be applied, and the oats will be allowed to mature. After they are combined at maturity the oats can be ground and used in the dairy ration.

According to Howard Brooks, the farm manager, the feed production program will be continued by following the oats with grain sorghum, which will be planted in late June or early July.

The first step in carrying out the soil conservation plan, his farm has been taken by T. W. Powell, of Mt. Pleasant community. Approximately four miles of terraces have already been constructed, and in order to earn the PMA payment for carrying out this practice, he is planning to plant kudzu along the terrace outlets.

More proper that early planting and proper fertilization will produce a good cover crop of blue lupine can be seen on the farm of F. E. Meeks in the Basin community. Mr. Meeks' lupine is almost knee high and it is still several weeks until the normal turning time around the first of March.

A Grain of Salt: Burning crop residues such as stalks, weeds and grass, is like throwing away your "chance" because it's too troublesome to carry it to your pocket.

FAIRVIEW 4-H CLUBS HOLD OFFICERS' TRAINING MEET

On Monday, January 28, the officers from four 4-H clubs met at Fairview school for an officers' training meeting.

4-H members attending were: Fairview, Lorell Pinkerton, Sam Burdett, Jeanette Blair, Betty Jean Wise, Carolyn Howell, Wern Reeves, Mernel Parish, Gertrude Divine; Damascus officers, Sam Dye, Sara Dye, Charles Johnson, Ray Knight, Joe Young, Cecil Co. ry, Louise Danford, Betty Rue Moore, Mina Joan Sparks, Sara Margaret Farris; Ino, Rindie Fortune, Vonnell Senn, Mary Carley Edwin Banker, Goodman, Bobbie Grimes, Ollie Jo Bowden, Marilyn Jones, Mary Sue Roberts, Milton Purvis, Jerry Johnson, Clyde Watkins, Willie May Heath, Billy Lolley, Eleanor Cox, Tommie Johnson, Ann Allen, James Andrews, Charles Grimes, James Dawson Cox, Bobby Bowden, Eloise Jones, Bobby Jones, T. K. Hickman, James Bradley and Fay Andrews.

These officers received training in the various duties of 4-H club work for the coming year.

Bobby Grimes, President.
Ollie Jo Bowden, Vice Pres.

The total number of cattle on farms in Alabama reached an all-time peak of 1,269,000 in 1945.

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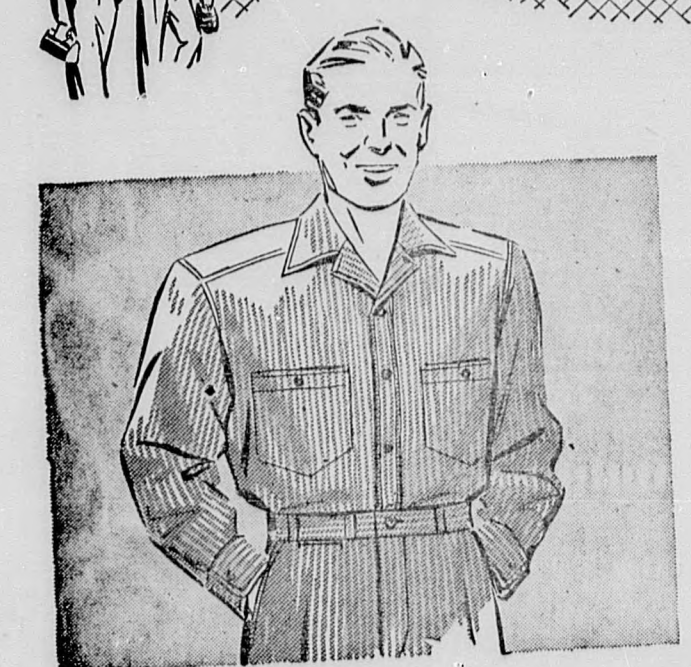
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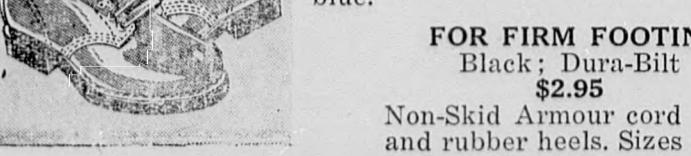
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FEDERATED STORES

ELBA, ALABAMA

Farm News

PRODUCTION GOALS
ANNOUNCED BY FMA

Alabama 1946 farm production goals were announced recently by state officials of the Production Marketing Administration. The goals and the percentage they are of the 1945 average and production are as follows:

Cotton, 1,425,000 acres, 103.3 per cent; corn 2,843,000 acres, 99 per cent; peanuts picked and threshed, 380,000 acres, 83 per cent; oats, 238,000 acres, 110 per cent; Irish potatoes (all), 52,000 acres, 104 per cent; Irish potatoes (commercial), 25,100 acres, 96.1 per cent; sweet potatoes, 78,000 acres, 113 per cent; sorghum (except syrup), 54,000 acres, 120 per cent; soybeans for beans, 25,000 acres, 65.8 per cent; hay (all tame), 1,100,000 acres, 112.7 per cent; barley, 10,000 acres, 71.4 per cent; gum mastic trees, national goal 135 per cent of 1945 indicated—no state goal suggested.

Milk cows, 416,000, 100 per cent; milk production per cow, 3,400 pounds, 104 per cent; hens and pullets on farms Jan. 1, 6,388,000, 87.3 per cent; hens and pullets on farms March 1, 5,401,000; eggs (production on farms), 47,357,000 dozen, 89.9 per cent; chickens (cracked on farms), 11,939,000, 83.1 per cent; turkeys, 154,000, 98.7 per cent; cattle and calves on farms end of year, 1,289,000, 100.0 per cent; hogs (sows to farrow in spring), 115,000, 105.5 per cent; sheep and lambs on farms end of year, 335,000, 100 per cent; hives, 195,000 colonies, 105.4 per cent; milk production, 1,114,000,000 pounds, 104 per cent.

Life of wire fences depends on the weight of galvanized coating.

A good quality fence with 15-ounce zinc coating will last 15 to 16 years before rusting. The large size lasts longer after beginning to rust than smaller wire. In buy-

ing wire fences, look for the "Z" mark on the wire.

One lady said recently that her stomach used to be like a "gas factory." That is, when she ate a meal it seemed to turn right into gas. She was always bloated, had awful stomach gas, pain, dizziness and constant irregular bowel action.

Now she says she is FREE OF STOMACH GAS and she says the change is due to taking INNOR-AID. Her friends are going, "Oh! what relief!" states the lady. "Why don't other gas and constipation sufferers get INNOR-AID?"

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2.—To increase "to the greatest possible extent" the exports of German coal to countries formerly overrun by Germany.

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The unwelcome visitor, killed and removed by state police, was a skunk.

Maps Policy to Restore Reich

U. S. Hopes to Put Germany
Back on Its Feet Two
Years Hence.

WASHINGTON.—If this country has its way, beaten Germany will be back on its economic feet two years hence, able to pay its own way and to raise the living standards of its people.

This is the long-range objective of American policy toward the Reich as laid down by the state department. It comprises a middle ground between "hard" and "soft" peace proposals.

To carry it out, however, the United States and the other Allies will have to provide funds—perhaps hundreds of millions—to permit Germany to import her necessities over the next two years.

The state department made public the U. S. policy by releasing the text of a statement prepared at the request of the war department for guidance of American occupation authorities.

Interprets Potsdam.

The statement, which also was sent to the governments of Russia, Britain and France, constituted the first detailed interpretation by any power of the American policy for Germany produced at the Potsdam Big Three meeting in August.

American officials are unwilling to predict how the other three powers might receive the declaration.

They said, however, that the American plan was based on the assumption that Germany would retain its present boundaries, including the industrial Ruhr and Rhineland.

This assured opposition from France, which has insisted that those two zones be stripped from Germany.

In a supplementary statement on the policy declaration, Secretary of State Byrnes said three stages would be involved in Germany's return to "normal."

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BETTY J. HENDERSON DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Betty Joyce Henderson, 7, of Troy, Route 2, died at a Troy hospital Tuesday morning, Feb. 12, after a short illness.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Henderson, of Troy, Rt. 2; two brothers: John B. and James G. Henderson, Troy, Rt. 2; two sisters: Mary and Annie Mae Henderson, Troy, Rt. 2; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Henderson, Elba, Rt. 1, and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McLendon, Banks, Route 2.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock at Zion Chapel with Rev. Mr. Low

She Has Heart of Gold; With Employer's Money

NEW YORK — Oscar H. Gropp, 32, who has a heart of gold, but he wished she had never set out to make others' dreams come true. The bookkeeper, Madeline Dunigan, still smiling dreamily, was arrested for misappropriating between \$80,000 and \$40,000 to give unauthorized wage raises to fellow workers, pay for operations and set up a pension fund for a friend.

A messenger boy in Gropp's leather goods store who was struggling to get along on \$12 a week had his wages increased to \$25 a week. A handyman at \$3 a day was raised to \$15 a day.

One of Mrs. Dunigan's friends had a streak of hard luck. Mrs. Dunigan fixed her up with a \$25-a-week pension.

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Baked Apples
For baked apples, select sound fruit. Wash, core and cover with a mixture of sugar and water to satisfy individual's taste. Bake until only one-fourth done, then place in No. 2 Re-enamelled cans to within one-half inch of top. Cover with the sweetened juice to fill can. Seal immediately and process for 25 minutes in boiling hot water bath. Cool quickly, dry and label.

A Double Life

By ELEANOR WALSH
McClure Newspaper Syndicate
WFO Features

WHEN Corina Hastings, 18, from the desk one morning and saw Mrs. Angela Murdoch sailing toward her, she was reasonably certain something was amiss. She mustered a feeble smile and said an inconspicuous "Good Morning."

"For me, Miss Hastings," snapped Mrs. Murdoch. "This has been a very unpleasant morning."

She tapped her finger on the desk. "I," she said, "have just read 'The Flaming Soul'."

"Oh?" Into that syllable Corina tried to put good cheer, friendship, everything that was amiable. But Mrs. Murdoch's expression did not change.

"And what I should be interested to hear," the lady went on, "is just why that particular book was put in this library. This is, she declared, 'an institution which endeavors to provide suitable reading matter for the young. I can only regard 'The Flaming Soul' as a work that will definitely be harmful."

"I am terribly sorry," Corina apologized. "I'm afraid I haven't read the book." This was perfectly true. She had only glanced with some interest at the description of its contents on the paper jacket. "I heard from several people that it was quite good," she offered weakly. "And on the strength of that I ordered it."

"You're quite right, Miss Hastings. There was no mistaking the menace in Mrs. Murdoch's tone. It was brought to my attention by Miss Keller, and I believe Mrs. Spellman mentioned it to her. Both were shocked. Miss Keller brought it to me this morning and I considered it my duty to read the whole thing. I wanted to see what was being placed in the hands of our young people."

"I don't know what to say," said Corina.

"I've called at a meeting of the Library Board at my house this evening at eight. I suggest you attend. Meanwhile, I'll leave this copy here, and you can make your own familiar with its contents. You'll be asked for an explanation of your conduct."

Corina groaned when the lady left. It was bad enough to face any member of the board singly, but together—horror! For a few minutes she thought of cutting loose, resigning her position, going to New York. But this incident hardly seemed to warrant any such action. Not yet, anyway. And her family would hate to see her go. There was another reason for staying, too, and his name was Jack. No, there was nothing to do but face the music and hope it wouldn't be too unpleasant. She smiled. She could picture the three women reading with gasps of pleasurable horror, and then preventing others from enjoying the same privilege. The book itself she placed behind the desk until she learned what its fate was to be.

The board meeting was as she had expected, only worse. Mrs. Murdoch still acted like a volcano undecided whether to erupt or hold its fire. Mrs. Spellman maintained a dignified silence, preferring to signify disapproval by a series of "uh-huhs."

Miss Keller flushed when the title was mentioned and let it be understood that she had martyred herself by reading it. "It was an experience," she said, "that I should have preferred to miss."

"Certainly," Mrs. Murdoch said. "I, for one, felt I wanted to fumigate my mind after I had finished it." Corina waited till she was spoken to.

"The point is," Mrs. Spellman said finally, "what are we going to do with the volume? It was your duty, Miss Hastings, to know something of it before sending an order."

Corina spoke so contritely, thanking the ladies for discovering the nature of the book before it had a chance to harm young readers, that the three women were softened.

"But of course it must be removed from the library at once," Mrs. Murdoch said more pleasantly. "I think we must insist upon that."

"Of course," the others murmured. "Of course."

"That brings up another question," said Miss Keller. "It was bought with public funds allowed for the library. Have we the right to confiscate it without paying? I think not. I am willing to give what it cost simply to keep it off the shelves."

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RELIGION; Courses Challenged

Traditional American separation of church from state was the issue Mrs. Vasthi McCullum of Champlain school board in her suit to halt voluntary religious instruction in the public schools in the community.

With both Mrs. McCullum and the board prepared to appeal to the Supreme court in event of their loss of the decision, the suit promises to affect similar instruction in 1,800 communities in 46 states. North Dakota and New Hampshire are the only states without such religious courses.

In bringing her suit as the interested party, Mrs. McCullum stated that as the only pupil in his class not enrolled in the voluntary 30-minute per week instruction in the Protestant Sunday school in Champlain, she was entitled to be heard.

Her 10-year-old son Terry had suffered acute embarrassment. As a result, she said, indirect pressure had been brought to bear against the younger to take the course, regard less of his inclination in public school property maintained by taxpayers' funds.

In countering Mrs. McCullum's charge, the school board pointed out that the courses were outside of the school curricula and purely voluntary, with representatives of all of the principal religious denominations conducting and financing the instruction.

Aside from the state constitution and statutes involved, federal intervention hinged on the first amendment to the U. S. Constitution, which provides: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Of the 14th amendment to the Constitution declaring: "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of the citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

Mother of three boys and wife of a University of Illinois professor, Mrs. McCullum said that while she realized the suit might harm young Terry, her deep conviction on separation of church from state inspired her action.

Death Rate of Prisoners of War Reported Dropping

NEW YORK, N. Y. — John F. Cotton, assistant director of relief to war prisoners service of the American Red Cross, said that the death rate among American service men held by the Japanese "has declined" in the last year.

Cotton told approximately 300 relatives of American war prisoners that "42 of 600 prisoners died in eight months" at a single camp in 1942-43, "but from August, 1943, to August of this year, only 12 of the remainder have died."

He said that the Japanese were believed to have 20,000 American prisoners, including 9,000 civilians and that several thousand still were held in the Philippines. Cotton said that medical supplies were limited in most camps.

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Down on the Farm

CHICAGO — There are 9,330,000 horses and 3,559,000 mules down on the farm.

This estimate came from the Horse and Mule association of America, Inc., which said that "white horses are down in numbers and price, because of short age of labor on farms, they are far from being down and out."

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Children's Safety

Never leave small children alone in the bathroom and keep candy-coated laxatives and pills beyond their reach. Even bubble gum tablets taken in large quantities can have serious results. Discard used razor blades in closed container where children cannot find them.

Stupid Animal

The porcupine is slow and stupid and these characteristics have been the salvation of more than one lost hunter and woodsman. Of all the forest animals the "porcupy" is the only one which an armed man, sick from hunger and exposure, can kill with a stick or a stone.

Hoover Tells of Big Crime Army

FBI Chief Warns of Great Threat of Wartime Juvenile Gangs.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation warns that wartime juveniles are spearheading an army of six million law breakers in a new crime wave that may be as bad as the gangster era of the roaring 20s, says a special to the Chicago Tribune.

Kidnaping, hijacking and other types of violent crime are increasing alarmingly throughout the nation, Hoover said in an interview and a radio address before the 52nd annual meeting of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

The FBI chief said he resented the label of blaming returning veterans for the postwar wave of lawlessness, and declared that the most despicable offenses are being committed by juvenile delinquents.

Increase 108 Per Cent. He said arrests of girls under 18 have increased 108 per cent since 1933. In that same period, arrests of boys under 18 have increased 40 per cent for homicide, 70 per cent for rape, 30 per cent for robbery, 72 per cent for assault, 55 per cent for auto thefts, and 101 per cent for drunkenness and driving while intoxicated.

"Misapprehension regarding servicemen," he said, "stems from the fact that many weapons used in crimes of violence are either pistols, or souvenir weapons the returning soldiers were allowed to bring home because of lax regulations. Many of these inevitably find their way into the hands of unscrupulous black marketers who sell them to hoodlums and criminals."

"Guilty of Understatement," Hoover cited statistics which indicated, he said, that the press is "guilty of understatement" in writing crime stories.

"Finger print files of the FBI," he said, "reveal a criminal army of six million individuals who have been arrested and finger printed—one out of every 23 inhabitants in the United States."

The nationwide crime increase for October of last year over the same month of the preceding year, Hoover said, is 12.3 per cent in the western states, 9.7 per cent in the northern states, 6 per cent in the northeast and 3 per cent in the south.

"After every great war or period of acute national emergency there has been a recession of moral fortitude," Hoover declared. "This one will be no exception."

U. S. to Destroy 8 More German War Factories

BERLIN — The American military government office announced that eight more German war plants had been ordered destroyed, making a total of 25 demolished or earmarked for destruction in the United States occupation zone.

All general purpose machinery and usable raw materials will be removed and the power plants and specialized military facilities will be blown up. The eight factories are: Fabrik Fritz Sauer at Gerathen, which produced fuses; Weldon and Schrelenhausen works, which produced resistant elements for explosives; Rheinisch-Westfälische Sprengstoff at Landwehrort; Fabrik Muenchen at Munich, triggers for mines and explosives; the Gustav Genschow factory at Durlach and another at Wolfart, arm and arms ammunition, and the Eichen-truth machinery and equipment plant, dies for pressing powder.

New Health Unit Formed by American Red Cross

WASHINGTON — The American Red Cross announced formation of an advisory board, headed by Dr. Lewis H. Weed of Baltimore, to coordinate its activities in the health field.

The board consists of 100 men and women from 25 states and the District of Columbia. It includes not only doctors, but also nurses, dentists, health educators, medical publicists, nutritionists, pediatricians, public health administrators and sanitary engineers.

Two-Place Glider Stays Aloft 9 Hours; Record

ELMIRA, N. Y. — A new national duration record for gliders was established recently by Paul Schweizer and Frank Hurst, both of Elmira. The two stayed in the air for 9 hours and 17 minutes in a Schweizer two-place mail plane. The previous national duration record of 8 hours and 26 minutes was set here in July, 1938.

Find U. S. Is 'Little Bit of All Right'

LOS ANGELES — A trainload of 40 New Zealand war brides who met their American husbands here today dismissed the complaints of their Australian cousins who went home mad at the United States with the comment "they're never satisfied."

"America is a little bit of all right," the brides chorused.

Tenth of a Dollar

By WILLIAM MURDOCK
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THE high school kid who took while the drugstore clerk winked as he brushed past the soda fountain girl, then he paused. "That's the old skinkint who lives down the street," he whispered, jerking his head in the direction of the old man who stood near the phone booth. "He asked for..."

The old skinkint was Guy Baxter, and while the term didn't exactly describe him, it did in a vague way epitomize his reputation for keeping a close tab on money. He was a bookkeeper—a mighty good one—who had a deep respect for money; his own, and his employer's, the wholesale grocery firm of Farrell & Sons Company.

In fact, that abiding regard for money had only that morning—his fiftieth anniversary at Farrell's—led him to commit the one deliberately dishonest act of his entire life. He had passed a counterfeit dime.

That dime passed his peace of mind a few minutes later as he peeled off his coat and vest and

climbed up on the high stool at his desk. Nervously he smoothed his thin thatch of gleaming white hair, and there was trouble in his pale blue eyes as he carefully removed his glasses from the case. For the first time in seventy-odd years he knew himself as a cheat, and he found the intimacy repugnant.

And then, in mid-morning, Farrell called Guy into the office. "Sit down, Guy," Farrell said cordially, facing his white fingers into a double fist atop his desk and smiling at the old man. "I suppose you know it was just fifty years ago today that you started to work for my father? You've been a good man, Guy," said Farrell matter-of-factly. "You're honest, you're reliable."

He smiled. "But let's save all that for tonight. We've planned a little celebration for you at the Jefferson Hotel. A fellow like you deserves a pat on the back."

"Yes, sir," Guy went back to his desk, but he couldn't work for his father? He couldn't focus on figures and sums. He thought of Farrell's praise, and he thought of the lead dime, and he squirmed. He wasn't honest. And he wasn't reliable for a dime.

A lead dime. How could he go to the banquet tonight and listen to all those things people always said at banquets, when down in his heart he knew just how mean and petty he had been that morning?

He couldn't. He had to get that dime back. Mere restitution—handing over another dime, a good one, to the Bedford Lunch, where he passed it off—wouldn't be enough. He had to get that coin back—to keep it out of circulation so it couldn't go on cheating people for the rest of Guy's life.

So he hurried from the office at quitting time and went directly to the Bedford Lunch. There was a chance that the dime hadn't been passed on. If Bedford would only show him the contents of the partition in the cash register, Guy could pick it out.

But the night cashier was in no mood to listen to Guy's halting attempts to explain. "I got no time to monkey with dime nos, mister," he said irritably. "If you got a squawk with Bedford, see him in the morning."

Tomorrow would be too late, of course. Baxter was due at the banquet tonight. In just an hour or two. The lead dime stood squarely in his way. He couldn't go. He started for the drugstore at the corner. He'd have to call Mr. Farrell and make some excuse. There was no use trying to explain, because Mr. Farrell would only laugh and tell Guy not to be silly. But it wasn't silly. All this because he had pocketed his change yesterday without first studying it.

... he asked for change for a quarter so he could make a phone call, the high school kid whispered to the soda fountain girl. "Remember that lead dime Bedford showed us this afternoon?" Bedford gave it to me and I've been savin' it up at the cash register just waitin' for the right guy. I'm goin' to try to pass it off on that old skinkint over there. Watch me spoil his day."

Artillery Salvo Plays Army Wedding March

KORVELL, N. Y. — The first American wedding in occupied Germany took place here to the accompaniment of the following guns of one of the greatest artillery actions of this war.

The bride was Lieut. Pauline Feris, an army nurse from New Smyrna Beach, Fla., and the bridegroom, Chief Warrant Officer Charles M. Baker of Aurora, Colo.

The lieutenant was just saying "I do" in response to the officiating chaplain, Capt. George W. Zinz of Erie, Pa., when a battery of heavy United States guns let loose an earth-shaking salvo.

Lublin University Reopens

MOSCOW — The Soviet news agency reported that the Catholic university at Lublin, closed for five years, had held its first classes.

Nazis Take Shoes to Halt Army Desertions

WITH U. S. DIVISION, WESTERN FRONT — An American deserter told an American officer that the Germans were taking shoes from their foreign soldiers at night to prevent desertions.

The shivering Austrian walked into American lines in his stocking feet and surrendered, saying he was "tired of it all."

Flour Thickening

Flour can be substituted for cornstarch for thickening by using twice as much in recipes.

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Doctor Installs Movie Machine in Waiting Room

BUFFALO, N. Y. — Patients don't wait over old magazines while waiting to see Dr. Harold B. Johnson — they "take in a movie" instead.

Dr. Johnson has installed movie pictures in his waiting room. Equipment consists of a projector and screen, complete with sound.

The doctor, a general practitioner, says his work multiplied many times since the beginning of the war, and he wanted to make waiting pleasant. He gets two reels weekly. During the brief interval when reels are being changed, lights come on automatically and the radio plays. The projector is operated by a girl assistant.

400-Year-Old Quarry Is Largest French Shelter

PARIS. — The world's largest single air raid shelter, a 400-year-old underground stone quarry, is being viewed with the greatest interest by U. S. Eighth air force officers conducting a bomb-damage inquiry.

The quarry, used in pre-war days to grow mushrooms, is near the Renault automobile plant and was converted to a shelter to accommodate 20,000 plant workers. Its 100,000 square feet of floor space is an orderly labyrinth of connected tunnels 10 feet high and 50 miles in length.

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FIRE RAIDS: U. S. Vulnerable

Back from a tour of war-wracked Europe, Anthony J. Mullaney, chief fire marshal of Chicago, Ill., and a noted authority on fires, declared that investigations showed that no great city could withstand concentrated explosive and incendiary raids and domination of the skies overhead was the only assurance of safety.

In making his disclosure, Mullaney cited the obliteration of Hamburg, Germany, where all walls were of brick, numerous firebreaks existed, no skyscrapers reared up, and an efficient fire department created. In a contrast indicative of the vulnerability of American cities, Mullaney cited localities dotted with frame buildings, wood lath and plaster construction, tall buildings, and few empty spaces for allowing a sweeping fire to peter out.

In burning out Hamburg, Mullaney said, great squads of Allied bombers first dropped explosives to rip up structures, with incendiaries then being tossed upon the open wreckage. Towering flames licked up the oxygen to create a vacuum into which air from surrounding areas then rushed in, creating fierce "fire storms" with instruments recording temperatures of 1,400 degrees F., over 40,000 persons were said to have died from the flames, heat inhalation or asphyxiation.

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